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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 28TH, 1906.

In spite of mutual professions of the most cordial friendship among nations it seems to be the vogue everywhere to believe in the probability of the Pacific becoming at no far distant date, an international cockpit. While the prophets are agreed on this point they are strangely at variance upon the interesting question as to how the combatants are likely to be ranged in the fray. We have the Kaiser's forecast in which the navies of the East are seen opposing the Fleets of the West. "Who can foresee" His Majesty said, "what may take place in the Pacific in the days to come, days not so distant as some believe, but days, at any rate, for which all European Powers, with Far Eastern interests ought steadily to prepare? Look at the accomplished rise of Japan; think of the possible national awakening of China; and then judge of the vast problems of the Pacific. Only those Powers which have great navies will be listened to with respect, when the future of the Pacific comes to be solved; and if for that reason only Germany must have a powerful fleet. It may even be that England herself will be glad that Germany has a fleet when they speak together on the same side in the great debates of the future." It is interesting to contrast this view of the "vast problems of the Pacific" with that of a writer in the current number of the "United Services Magazine" who makes a plea for a naval understanding with the United States. It is premised in this article that the Anglo-Japanese Alliance

will not be renewed when the existing agreement terminates in 1915, and we presume His Majesty the Kaiser similarly regards a renewal of that alliance as impossible. "The cruise of Admiral Sparan's squadron," says Mr. PERCYAL HIGLAM, the author of the Service magazine article "has definitely proved that a continuance of the Anglo-Japanese Treaty after its present term has expired is impossible." Why Mr. HIGLAM should believe this we cannot understand except that it is necessary as a basis of the forecast he proceeds to elaborate. One might suppose from the remark that it was a case of Japan being off with the old love and on with the new. But, no; Japan, in Mr. HIGLAM's view of the problems of the Pacific, will be hand in glove with Germany, and the United States is the object of their attack. Mr. HIGLAM's idea is that the expansion of the German navy will prevent Great Britain giving adequate naval protection to Australia, New Zealand and her other possessions in the Pacific should these be threatened at any time by Japanese forces. On the other hand the writer points out that America standing alone would require an Atlantic fleet strong enough to safeguard her against Germany; while in the Pacific her fleet would require to keep in line with the rapidly-expanding navy of Japan. He dwells upon the enormous outlay the United States would have to face to maintain a strong fleet both in the Atlantic and the Pacific, and suggests a compact between Great Britain and the United States under which the latter would safeguard the Pacific while the latter guards the Atlantic. It is an interesting subject for discussion. So long as nations continue to build warships, so long, we suppose, will there be international jealousy and suspicion. The day "when the common-sense of most will hold a fretful realm in awe, and the kindly earth shall slumber in universal law," cannot be regarded as having arrived yet.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Kemp ordered a Chinese youth, an apprentice, to be whipped for stealing several articles of clothing.

The Produce Committee of the Ceylon Association in London have decided to take no action at present in the matter of the proposed anti-China tea campaign.

Mr. Wood, the manager of the Steam Laundry, was charged at the Magistracy yesterday with assaulting a coolie, but, as the latter did not appear, the summons was struck out.

In the absence of the complainant a defendant who was yesterday charged at the Police Court with unlawfully detaining a child, asked for compensation, but Mr. Kemp declined to accede to the request.

Dr. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer, returned to the Colony yesterday from North China, where he has been to give expert advice in regard to the outbreak of plague at Tongshan Mines.

A. Sharp, steward of the P. & O. s.s. *Assaye*, is supposed to have committed suicide by jumping over-board between Penang and Colombo. He was a gentleman's servant before he joined the P. & O. Company about twelve months ago.

The death took place by drowning at Hankow on the 17th inst. of Mr. Deyveraux of the I. M. Customs. The deceased was very near sighted and while walking near the river bank he is supposed to have fallen into a deep pond and was drowned. The body was later recovered and an inquest was held. The deceased was well known at several ports.

Before Lieutenant C. W. Bookwith, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday three boat owners, who were found guilty of anchoring their boats within the limits of southern fairway, were fined \$5 apiece. Another boatman was fined \$3 for failing to exhibit a white light at the bow of his vessel, between sunset and sunrise, while under way in Aberdeen Harbour.

Another instance of Oriental ingenuity came before the Magistrate yesterday when a coolie was charged with stealing sugar from a steamer. He had made two canvas bags so as to fit into the sleeves of his jacket, but apparently the invention was not quite successful. At any rate his appearance aroused the suspicion of a policeman who examined him and found his suspicious justified.

Another typhoon warning was received yesterday morning by the American Consulate General at Hongkong from the Manila Observatory. The message reported a cyclone or typhoon E. of the Visayas Islands, direction unknown. A later telegram said the typhoon was E. of the northern Visayas, or south-eastern Luzon, moving W. or W.N.W. A third telegram (5 p.m.) indicates the typhoon between Visayas and Luzon, filling up.

F. Danenberg, the proprietor of the refreshment rooms in Lee House Street, appeared before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday in answer to two summonses. The first one charged him with failing to exhibit his licence when required by a police officer. For this offence he was fined \$2. The second summons charged him with failing to exhibit his licence in a conspicuous place in the rooms. Mr. Wood, however, dismissed this summons.

An interesting and instructive lecture on "Milton and his times" was delivered to members of the Y.M.C.A. last night by the Rev. C. Bone.

In memory of the late Emperor and Dowager Empress of China, the Dead March in "Saul" was played at the close of the morning services at the Cathedral and Union Church Shanghai, last Sunday, the respective congregations up-standing.

At a meeting held at Shanghai on the 20th inst. it was resolved to form a Shanghai Amateur Athletic Association, Sir Pelham Warren, K.C.M.G., being chosen as president, Mr. W. H. Barham, vice-president, and Mr. F. W. White secretary.

A murder at Cheung Sha Wan was reported to the police yesterday. It appears that two villagers had quarrelled over opium, and one asserting that the other had stolen his opium armed himself with a knife and chased the other, plunging the weapon in his abdomen. The injured man succumbed shortly afterwards.

The Shanghai Tsotai has made loans amounting to Teels 3,000,000, to various Chinese Banks throughout the Settlement and the Nantao District. The placing of this large sum in the current accounts of these banks, says a Shanghai contemporary, has done much to relieve the financial stringency and great credit is due to the Tsotai for his prompt and efficient action in this matter.

In his command orders, dated Tientsin Nov. 18th, General Waters says:—On the melancholy occasion of the death of His Majesty the Emperor and Her Majesty the Dowager Empress, Officers of the North China Command will wear, when in uniform, a band of black crepe round the left arm as prescribed by the Regulations. The mourning will be continued until the 21st November. Officers will abstain from attending public functions, no bands will play, and flags will fly at halfmast, until 11th December inclusive.

By an Order in Council, published in the London "Gazette" last month, the Admiralty are authorised, at their discretion, to allow any officer who is likely to profit by a longer period than the 12 months now allowed for study in Japan with a view to qualifying as interpreters, to remain in Japan on full pay for two years, subject to the condition that there shall not be more than three officers at any one time studying the language, and that they shall be included in the total number of 20 now allowed to be abroad at the same time for the study of modern languages.

The Grand Secretariat early in the present month resolved to order the prohibition of all lotteries in the Empire at the end of the current month. The original intention in starting lotteries, it is stated, was to increase the revenue. So many now lotteries had now come into existence that this had become the worst form of gambling in the Empire. Their Excellencies came to the conclusion that lotteries were demoralising the people, and led to robbery and other crimes. We may well doubt whether the order of the Grand Secretariat will be obeyed. In the North, at any rate, lotteries for December are openly advertised.

An extraordinary incident is reported in the Seoul Press, showing how in parts of Korea human flesh is believed to be of medicinal value.—A belief, remarks the *Japan Chronicle*, that has not yet been wholly banished among the most ignorant classes in Japan. Our contemporary says it is reported that a young woman, twenty-three years of age, the wife of Kim Chinwoo, living at Sam-tong-li, Yang-san district, South Kyongsang-do, gave a piece of human flesh to her sick husband as medicine, cutting it from her own thigh, in order to cure the rheumatism from which he has been suffering for the past six years. Since eating it he seems to have improved remarkably, so doubtless his wife thinks she has been amply rewarded for her sacrifice. It is said that the villagers, being greatly impressed by Mrs. Kim's unusual faithfulness to her husband, have asked the magistrate to reward her.

A London paper of the 3rd inst. contains the following paragraph:—A notable event in the foreign diplomatic world in the Metropolis is the reception which the new Chinese Minister at the Court of St. James is giving this evening at the Legation in Portland Place to the leading Chinese residents in this country to celebrate the birthday of the Dowager Empress. By a somewhat curious coincidence the day is also the birthday of the Emperor of Japan. The Chinese Minister, Lord Li Ching-fang, who is the adopted son of the Marquis Li Hung Chang, has been specially honoured by the Dowager Empress, who conferred upon him high rank as an appreciation of the services rendered to his native country by the late Viceroy. Since his arrival in this country his Excellency has brought about remarkable changes at the Legation, which has now been converted into one of the finest houses of the kind in London. Lord Li Ching-fang was formerly Chinese Minister at Tokyo, and it was in that capacity that he signed the treaty of peace with Japan at Shimonoseki. He was a member of the suite of Li Hung Chang on the occasion of his memorable visit to this country, when the late Queen Victoria conferred upon him the Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

## THE BURNING OF THE SARDINIA.

We now learn that it is highly improbable that the steamer *Sardinia*, reported by our London correspondent to have been burnt off Malta was the P. & O. steamer of that name, as she was scheduled to leave Colombo on the 24th inst. and could not possibly be anywhere near Malta yet. The Ellerman Lines Limited have a steamer of 2474 tons named the *Sardinia* engaged in the Mediterranean trade, and this probably is the vessel which has been burnt.

## TELEGRAMS.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

## GERMANY.

LONDON, November 24th.  
The German press is exercised at the House of Lords' adoption of Lord Roberts' motion, a section strongly resenting it.

A semi-official statement has been made that Germany will continue to build up the army and navy in accordance with her own interests, regardless of other powers.

## LORD ROBERTS IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, November 25th.  
Lord Roberts' speech has created a general sensation and increased the bitterness of the anti-British tone in the Austrian press.

The French press concurs with Lord Roberts and argues that the remedy is conscription.

## THE OPIUM COMMISSION.

LONDON, November 25th.  
The Times states that America has agreed to the request of China to postpone the Opium Conference.

## CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

November 26th.  
POLITICAL DISCUSSION FORBIDDEN.  
H. E. Viceroy Chang has notified the Civil and Military officials of all ranks in the Kwangtung Province that they must not discuss the present position of Government affairs; they are to attend strictly to their duties and carry out the State mourning in accordance with the law. All officials are requested to remain at their respective Bureaux and no leave of absence will be granted.

ENCOURAGING NATIVE "INDUSTRIES."  
In a dispatch sent to the Viceroy by the Board of Agriculture, Labour, and Commerce at Peking it is stated that the Chamber of Commerce in the Kiang-su Province has informed the Board that the cotton cloth manufactured in the above province is strong, flexible and white and its quality is far superior to that manufactured in Bombay. Hitherto its consumption has been confined to several northern and eastern provinces, but of late years foreign cloth has found its way into those markets and has been ousting the native cloth trade. Recently the Board has received several Imperial Edicts commanding them to encourage native manufactures. The Board requests the Viceroy to give instructions to all Military and Police Departments and the Directors of Schools and Colleges in the Province of Kwangtung to purchase the native cloth manufactured in Kiang-su for the use of the military, police and students. The Viceroy has issued notice to that effect.

## BLACKMAIL.

The International Banking Corporation here has again received a letter demanding \$1,000,000 blackmail to be paid within five days on board a certain *Shek Loong* junk.

## AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SHIPPING ENTERPRISE.

In his report on the Trade of Wenhoo for the year 1907 Mr. Acting Consul L. B. Barr mentions the heavy handicaps, already referred to in previous reports, of the practical monopoly of the carrying trade of the port held by the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, whose exorbitant freights and passage rates stand out as a prominent feature in the trade of Wenhoo. The Consul remarks:—It costs as much to send a consignment of goods from Wenhoo to Shanghai at present as it would to send it by other lines from Shanghai to Hongkong. Passage rates (for Chinese) from Wenhoo to Ningpo are 5 to 7 dol. per head; the result is, I am informed, that natives will actually make a long journey across country on foot to a place where they can get a 1 dol. passage to Ningpo. It is to be regretted that none of the larger British firms, sufficiently strong to override any initial opposition, should have considered it expedient to turn its attention to Wenhoo, since, as was pointed out in last year's report by Mr. Consul Mortimore, the trade of the port would appear to be capable of considerable expansion under more normal conditions of shipping. The correctness of these conclusions is perhaps borne out by the following facts:—The last tobacco exported to Formosa had hitherto (owing to Japanese regulations, which preclude direct junk trade with that island) followed a roundabout and expensive route via Shanghai and Amoy. Towards the end of 1907, however, a steamer of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, the "Amoy Maru," called in, and lying moored in mid stream, since the China Merchants Company own the only wharf in the port, loaded a full cargo of tobacco and sailed for Formosa direct, after a stay of a few hours only. It is probable that these shipments will be continued in future. The fact that it was worth this steamer's while actually to call in empty for this cargo furnishes an interesting commentary on the condition of the shipping at this port, as I have indicated above.

## SIAM.

In the House of Commons last month, Mr. Mitchell-Thomson (Lanark, N.W., Opp.) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he was in a position to give further information with regard to the negotiations with Siam.

Sir E. Grey:—His Majesty's Government have now under their consideration a report prepared by his Majesty's Minister at Bangkok on certain points in regard to which they desired information; but I am not yet in a position to make any further statement on the subject of the negotiations.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, November 27th.  
IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. COMPERTZ (ACTING POISSON JUDGE).

CLAIM FOR GOODS SOLD.  
Messrs. W. G. Humphreys and Co. sued the King Wai Lau to recover the sum of \$185.45 for goods sold. Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist).

His Lordship entered judgment and costs for plaintiffs.

## AN UNSATISFACTORY DRESSMAKER.

The Cheong Hing sued Grace Holly to recover \$24, balance due for dresses supplied. The managing partner of the plaintiff firm said he made two dresses for the defendant, one of white grass cloth valued \$27, and one of white muslin valued \$17. They were delivered on September 15th and defendant retained and wore them. She had paid \$20, but when he applied for the balance she put him off from time to time.

His Lordship (to defendant)—Do you wish to ask any questions?  
Defendant:—The dresses don't fit properly, and I will not pay him until they do.

His Lordship (to plaintiff)—Was any complaint made to you by defendant that the dresses did not fit?—Yes, and I altered them.

When did you return them?—About the 10th of this month.

Do you mean to say you kept them all that time?—I called on several occasions, but she always said she had not time. I went on the 19th, 20th, and nearly every day.

Defendant said she told plaintiff that when the dresses were made to fit she would send him the money. Until they fitted her properly he could take them away.

His Lordship—Did you see him when he called again?—No, I was ill.

Did you let him have the dresses back?—Yes, about two weeks ago.

And later he returned them?—Yes, and still they did not fit.

That is why you have not paid him?—Yes, the dresses don't wearable?—No.

And you don't wear them?—I wear the \$17 one. The other does not fit at all.

Have you dealt with this man before?—No. With other Chinese dressmakers?—Yes.

And always got a fit?—Yes.

Well, I don't want to go into details, but can you tell me what is wrong with the work?—The dress is uneven, too large in the waist, and too short.

Supposing the dressmaker is a man of sufficient intelligence, could that be put right?—If he is a capable dressmaker I think it could.

The difficulty is that you've kept the dresses so long!—I was ill during that time.

When were you ill; from when to when?—I have been sickly off and on.

His Lordship—You've kept the dress so long that I am not sure you were justified in retaining it without paying for it. You had better let the plaintiff have it back and see what he can do to improve it by next Friday. I will adjourn the case until then.

## A COOK'S IMAGINATION.

Ng Hing sued Stella Brumfield to recover \$15 said to be due for wages.

His Lordship told plaintiff \$7 had been paid into Court, and asked him if he would be satisfied with that amount.

Plaintiff—No. I want the lot. Proceeding, plaintiff told the Court that defendant engaged him at a salary of \$15 a month. On the night of the 27th ultimo she got another cook and told him to go. She also told him that if he called on the 2nd instant she would pay him, but she did not do so.

Defendant said she had offered plaintiff \$7. He was only engaged on approval.

Plaintiff said he was suing for a whole month's wages. Defendant told him he could summons her, and he had done so.

His Lordship—Were you there on approval?—No, I was engaged as cook at \$15 a month.

Defendant said the cook came on approval. After he had been with her two or three days she saw he did not know his business. He was engaged on October 7th, and dismissed on the 27th. When he applied for his wages she sent him \$7. This, she was informed, the cook would not accept. Shortly after his arrival she said she would pay him \$10 a month. Her "boy" had brought her a number of cooks, but she was disgusted with all of them. The defendant did not buy any provisions for her as he alleged. It was all his imagination. She had pass books.

Defendant's No. 1 boy was then called as a witness for the defence. He said defendant had agreed to pay plaintiff \$15 a month. When she gave the cook notice she offered him \$5 odd which he refused to accept.

His Lordship (to defendant)—Do I understand that this man is leaving at the end of the month?—Yes, I gave him notice.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for the amount paid into Court, without costs.

VILLAGEERS AT LAW.  
The case was continued in which Choy Woy Shi sued Tang Kam Nung to recover \$36 for money lent; \$52, money paid for a quantity of padi, which defendant refused to deliver; and the delivery of 20 piculs of padi as agreed, or in the alternative \$120, value thereof.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings) for the defendant.

Did you guarantee a sum of \$255 which defendant borrowed from plaintiff?—I have repaid it.

Did you get a receipt from Mr. Kong Sing?—Yes.

Did the defendant transfer his property to you on October 9th?—Yes, he said he had no money to pay me, so he would mortgage the house.

Was it a mortgage or a sale?—It was a sale for \$250, but it was understood when I received this money that I should return the house to him when he repaid me.

Cross-examined—Were you fined \$25 at the Land Court some years ago for perjury?—I don't remember. It was a long time ago.

You remember a number of years ago you had some business?—Yes, that was some years ago, at Shamshui. It was when we first got the Territory.

You were then fined \$25 for perjury?—Yes, I was. But it was through a mistake I made in reading characters.

The Judge didn't believe you made a mistake?—That was seven or eight years ago. I was sick at the time.

Re-examined—What sort of character does the plaintiff bear at Pingshan?—She lives there. Has she a good or bad character?—That is nothing to do with me.

But I want to know what sort of a character she has there?—She has got a bulldog.

The hearing was adjourned.

## LOCAL SPORT.

## CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. "A" TEAM V. KOWLOON.  
The following will play for the "A" team in the above match this afternoon, on the Club's ground, commencing at 2.15 p.m.:—Mah. Lt. H. W. Green (The Buffs) Lt. D. K. Anderson, Lt. Innes (The Buffs) Mr. E. C. Oliver, Messrs. W. C. D. Turner, A. E. Lanning, H. R. Makin, R.N., and Flag Lt. R. N. Mullenour, A. F. Dashedwood, E. Irving, Lt. E. J. H. Houghton.

H.K.C.C. "B" TEAM V. POLICE.  
The "B" Team will be represented by the following players on the Police ground, Happy Valley, at 2.15 p.m.—Messrs. R. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, A. O. Lang, F. Jacks, A. A. Claxton, H. D. Sharpe, S. S. Logan, Capt. Baird, D.S.O. (The Buffs) Comdr. F. O. Lewis, R.N., Mr. Johnston, R.N., and Mr. C. Stewart Lookhart, R.N.

CRAIGENGOWER V. ARMY STAFF CORPS.  
This match will take place this afternoon on the former Club's ground, commencing at 2.15 p.m. Craigengower C.C. team will be—G. A. Hancock (Capt.) G. Evans, R. Bass, J. D. Norris, E. Pestonji, L. A. Rose, J. W. Stewart, M. E. Ager, Dr. F. H. Kew, P. Curry and R. Phillips.

CRAIGENGOWER II V. CIVIL SERVICE II.  
This match will be played this afternoon on the ground of the latter Club at 2.15 p.m. The Craigengower team will be—H. W. Peterson, C. H. Lyson, J. Pestonji, W. H. L. Warrenner, A. de Carvalho, H. Souza, C. Rodrigues, A. P. Graves, T. Loft, S. B. Batiwara and N. Bozonji.

## LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the Table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points	Per cent.
Civil Service	3	3	0	0	6	100
H.K.C.C. "B"	3	3	0	0	6	100
Telegraphs	3	3	0	0	6	100
H.K.C.C. "A"	3	1	1	1	3	50
Craigengower	6	2	2	2	4	33.33
Royal Engineers	3	1	1	1	3	50
Hongkong Police	3	1	2	0	2	33.33
Kowloon	2	0	2	0	0	0
R. G. Artillery	2	0	2	0	0	0
N.B.—A Win counts 1 point.						
A Loss					-1	
A Draw					0	

## FOOTBALL.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club in a Rugby Match v. the Navy to-day 28th inst., at Happy Valley, Kick off 4.15 p.m.—Back E. L. Shaw; three-quarters, Lieut. Balderston, W. Crowley, A. S. Kempthorne and A. E. Wood; half-backs—L. J. Blackburn, A. V. Monk; forwards—H. G. C. Bailey, J. P. Baxter, C. F. Cunningham, A. Gregory, W. Leighton, H. W. Lester, W. B. Stanton and E. D. C. Wolfe.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—  
On the 27th at 11.55 a.m.—A further fall of the mercury has occurred over the Philippines, owing to the approach of a typhoon which appears to be situated to the S.E. of Luzon and to be moving in a westerly direction.  
The depression which was crossing the Sea of Japan yesterday has deepened considerably. It is now moving Eastwards over Hokkaido.  
Pressure has increased considerably over China, the anticyclonic area remaining over the continent to the North of the Upper Yangtze.  
Gradients are steep generally, and strong N. and N.E. gales will prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.  
Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong and Neighbourhood. { N. and N.E. winds, strong; fine.  
Formosa Channel ..... N.E. gale.  
South coast of China between ..... N.E. winds.  
Hongkong and Lamoucks. { strong to gale.  
South coast of China between ..... Same as No. 2.  
Hongkong and Hainan. { Same as No. 2.

HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL.—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Crème Chamois, Lait Chamois and Special Skin Tonic and Poudre Chamois will enable you to do it. Her Specialties for the Skin are the study of a Skincare. A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd. Sole Agents.



October 23.

M. Clemenceau is to be warmly congratulated on appointing M. Alfred Picard as successor to M. Thomson who could not well avoid resigning after the dramatic debate in the Chamber last Monday evening. If any civilian can make a clean sweep of red tape and abuses at the Ministry of Marine, the new Minister is undoubtedly the man. M. Alfred Picard who is 64 years of age and a reputed organiser is quite untried as regards naval affairs, but he possesses a splendid reputation as an administrator and as a man with an unbounded capacity for work. He is a distinguished civil engineer and savant, and is best known outside France as general commissioner of the 1900 Paris Exhibition. M. Thomson's downfall is generally regretted, for though he blundered over the *Jena* affair, he has since he was first appointed Minister of Marine some years ago, rendered great services to his country. Still after what happened the nation would have compelled him to resign. A regrettable ending to a brilliant, though comparatively short, career. The recent naval disasters have naturally aroused considerable anxiety in the country; and a thorough examination of the state of the powder and surroundings on board other French warships has become imperative. Though M. Thomson has resigned, the Cabinet remains in office. In England it would have implied the whole of the Cabinet resigning. This is explained by the fact that there is no such thing as collective Cabinet responsibility in France as understood in England. In France the Cabinet does not possess the control over Parliament which is held by the British Ministry. A French Cabinet does not represent a party, but a union of groups, and is always more or less under the control of these groups. Questions are thus decided by a Committee of leading members of the Ministerial groups appointed *ad hoc*, and the reporter of the Committee— who has been to M. Delcassé in the Parliamentary Committee appointed to investigate the causes of the explosion on board the *Jago*—exercises an influence greater than that of the Minister concerned. In addition to the Thompson incident, the Chamber during this

**PARIS DUST.**  
The dust problem in Paris, an automobile ridden city, which the authorities thought they

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said that the case was really a simple one, the vessel being bound to float with the rise of the tide, and the question remained to what extent the tug assisted her in getting clear of the shore. She went on two hours before low water, and as the tide began to make she came off at 11.15. However, the services of the tug were accepted, and with her own engines as well she came off. He was inclined to the view that the tug was engaged with her own power, though the fact certainly was the risk that things would not all right. Under the circumstances an award of £750 would meet the case.

Judgment accordingly.

Catholic), Mass, Benediction and Sermon  
English, at 10 a.m.

would have crowned them with flowers. When they asked me to receive them—I refused. The agitation immediately died away, and delegation returned empty-handed. Was I ask the action of a secret enemy?"

would doubt no longer since his ardent desire to live on the best of terms with him or his growing impatience at the persistent mistrust with which his offer of friendship was too often received.



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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MEETING of the MAGISTRACY will be held at the MAGISTRACY, at 2.15 p.m., on MONDAY, the 7th December, 1908, for the purpose of considering the following application and the Liquor Licenses Ordinances, 1898 and 1903, viz.:—  
From one O. E. OWEN for a Publican's License to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises numbered 30, Elgin Road, Kowloon, under the sign of "THE KOWLOON HOTEL."  
J. H. KEMP,  
Police Magistrate.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [1617]

## HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—  
The Practice Notified in GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION, No. 825 for the 30th November is hereby cancelled.

On TUESDAY, the 1st December:—

From Pakshawan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December:—

From Saiwan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On THURSDAY, the 3rd December:—

From Stonecutters (West) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

From Stonecutters in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On FRIDAY, the 4th December:—

From L. Belchers in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 a.m., and finishing at noon.

On MONDAY, the 7th December:—

From Central in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 10 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

From Albion in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On WEDNESDAY, the 9th December:—

From L. Belchers in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

From Stonecutters (East) in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 11.30 a.m., and finishing at 1 p.m.

On THURSDAY, the 10th December:—

From Stonecutters (Central) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

C. W. BECKWITH, Lieutenant, R.N.,  
Harbour Master, &c.  
Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1618]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Company's Steamship,  
"E. FRANZ FERDINAND,"  
Capt. Nitsche, will be despatched as above  
on or about 24th December.

This steamer has capital accommodation for  
passengers, electric light and carries a doctor.  
For information as to Passage and Freight  
apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents,  
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1908.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENT

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,  
LONDON, COLOMBO AND  
SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

"BINOO MARU,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby informed that their  
Goods, are being landed and placed at their  
risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and  
Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where  
each consignment will be sorted out mark by  
mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as  
the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before a  
Notice To Land.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd Dec., will be  
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Damaged packages must be left in the  
Godown for examination by the Con-  
signee's and his Co.'s representatives at an  
appointed hour. All Claims must be presented  
within ten days of the steam's arrival here,  
after which date they cannot be recognized.  
No claims will be admitted after the goods  
have left the Godown.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [618]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account  
of the year 1908, of Thirty Cents per  
share, will be Payable at the Hongkong and  
Shanghai Bank Hongkong, on and after  
FRIDAY, 27th November, 1908, on Warrants  
to be obtained at the Company's Office.

The Dividend will also be Payable at the  
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on  
and after the same date.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES will be  
CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 24th instant,  
until MONDAY, the 30th instant, both days  
inclusive, during which period No Transfer of  
Shares will be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1585]

## THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of the above-named Company will  
be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Lower  
Albert Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUES-  
DAY, the 1st day of December, 1908, at 12.30  
o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of  
considering and, if thought fit, passing the  
following Extraordinary Resolution:—

1. "That the Capital of the Company be  
increased by the sum of \$112,500 divided into  
15,000 Shares of \$7.50 each and that the Directors  
be authorised to allot such shares pro rata  
among the existing shareholders according to  
the number of shares in respect of which they  
may, on the 27th day of October, 1908, be  
registered, in the proportion of three new shares  
for each complete lot of five shares held by them  
at that date and that any of such new shares  
remaining over after such allotment shall be  
dealt with by the Directors in their discretion."

2. That the Articles of Association of the  
Company be altered by deleting paragraph 2 of  
Article IX and by substituting therefor the  
following paragraph:—

2. The Register, or Registers, of shareholders  
and the Register of Transfer may be closed  
for such period or periods at such time or  
times as the Directors may think fit, but  
the period or periods of such closure shall  
not exceed in the whole 30 days in any  
one year.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
S. A. SETH,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1602]

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Albert Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUES-  
DAY the 1st day of DECEMBER, 1908 at  
12.40 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose  
of considering and, if thought fit, passing the  
following Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That the Directors be authorised to declare  
a bonus or dividend out of the Reserve and  
Cattle Reserve Funds or out of the  
accumulated profits of the Company  
sufficient to pay a call of \$6.00 per share  
upon the New Capital already authorised to  
be raised by Special Resolution and that  
such bonus or dividend be appropriated for  
the purpose of paying such call."

By Order,  
S. A. SETH,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1603]

## AUCTION

## BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEORGE P. LAMBERT has  
received instruction from the Mortgagee  
to Sell by Public Auction.

On FRIDAY,  
the 4TH DECEMBER, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon,  
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

The following VERY VALUABLE LEASE-  
HOLD PROPERTY situate at Victoria in  
the Colony of Hongkong, namely:—

All those Two Pieces or Parcels of ground  
situate at Victoria aforesaid, registered in the  
Land Office respectively as SECTION "N" or  
MARINE LOT No. 90 and SECTION "C"  
or MARINE LOT No. 91 together with all the  
messuages thereon known as Nos. 11, 13 and 15,  
Tsz Mi Alley, Victoria aforesaid. Annual  
Crown Rent payable in respect of SECTION  
"N" or MARINE LOT No. 90 one pound  
sterling and in respect of SECTION "C" or  
MARINE LOT No. 91, 10 Shillings. Area,  
Section "N" of Marine Lot No. 90 contains 1527  
Sq. ft. or thereabouts and Section "C" of Marine  
Lot No. 91 contains 373 Sq. ft. or thereabouts.

The said Lots are held respectively for the  
respective residue of the terms of 999 years  
and 999 years.

For Further particulars and conditions of sale  
apply to

S. W. TSO,  
Solicitor for the Mortgagee  
or to

MR. GEORGE P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 19th November, 1908. [1587]

## INTIMATIONS

## NOTIFICATION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that applica-  
tions are invited for the appointment of a  
FEMALE PROBATIONER NURSE, now  
vacant, in the MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Application is the Handwriting of the  
applicant with certificates of character, etc.,  
should be forwarded to the Principal Civil  
Medical Officer, at the CIVIL HOSPITAL, not  
later than Noon of the 9th DECEMBER next.

Salary, etc., \$480 rising by annual increments  
of \$50 to \$600 per annum, with uniform,  
Washing, Attendance, free furnished quarters  
and an allowance of \$34 per annum for fuel  
and light.

Full particulars may be had on application.  
J. BELL,  
Principal Civil Medical Officer.  
Medical Department,  
Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1608]

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL, November 30th,  
1908.

Sootmen (Naval, Military, or Members of the  
Civil Community) desiring to Subscribe to the  
above are requested to forward their names to  
the Undersigned.

No Sootman can attend the Dance but  
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DAVID WOOD,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 7th November, 1908. [1399]

YUEH-HAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LTD.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY  
of 5000 CASKS of ALSEN CEMENT  
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later than end of January, 1909. Specification  
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Open on the 11th of DECEMBER at 2 P.M. in  
the Railway Head Office, Canton.

The Company is not bound to accept the  
lowest or any tender.

YUEH-HAN RAILWAY, CO., LTD.  
Canton, 25th November, 1908. [1614]

SITUATION.

GENTLEMAN Speaking French and  
German fluently and with a fair knowl-  
edge of English is desirous of obtaining  
employment. Security can be furnished, if  
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Apply to— Box 311,  
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Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [1613]

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PRIVATE APARTMENTS (Sitting-room  
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good locality on lower levels.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1908. [1607]

FOR SALE A Quantity of NETTING  
FOR TENNIS COURTS, etc., at less  
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TABLE BILLIARD SETS, SLATE BEDS, from  
\$40.00. May be seen by appointment.  
CHINA EXPRESS CO.,  
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1050]

ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE.  
FROM 10TH TILL 30TH NOVEMBER.

CHINESE, JAPANESE, AND INDIAN  
SILK, CREPE, CANTON LINEN,  
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Kindly note that the above Articles are  
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Year.

Inspection early solicited.  
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Hongkong, 14th November, 1908. [1568]

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Ladies, please inspect our Stock before we are  
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HOOSAIN-ALI & Co.,  
No. 14, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 18th November, 1908. [631]

## TO LET

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUNDRELL STREET.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
& AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 1st November, 1908. 823

## TO LET.

BERTHOLWYN PEAK ROAD, from  
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Hot and Cold Water laid on. Tennis Court  
and Swimming Bath.  
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Hongkong, 6th October, 1908. 1372

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Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. 1550

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"CRAGSIDE" BARBER ROAD PEAK,  
Furnished, from 17th March next.  
Apply to—  
A. H. SKELTON,  
Lane, Crawford & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1908. [1597]

## TO LET

## TO LET.

No. 52 CAINE ROAD.  
Apply to—  
SAM WANG CO., LTD.,  
81, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, 30th September, 1908. [90]

## TO LET.

STORAGE.  
FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, A Portion of MARINE LOT  
No. 28 at NORTH POINT, Suitable  
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For Particulars, apply—  
GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [84]

## TO LET.

A HOUSE in Wong Nei Chong Road.  
A HOUSE in HIPON TERRACE,  
No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL,  
1st floor.

"HATHERLEIGH" Conduit Road.  
OFFICES in PEAYA EAST, BLUE  
BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Vœux Road  
next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.  
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 1st November, 1908. [86]

## TO LET.

No. 3 OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kow-  
loon, FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE with  
Electric and Gas Lights; Tennis Court, etc.  
Moderate Rental.  
Apply to—  
ARRATON V. APCAR & CO.,  
45, Wyndham Street.  
Hongkong, 26th September, 1908. 1352

## TO LET.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yau-mat,  
Area 85,200 square feet and with 255  
feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage  
of Coal, Timber, &c.  
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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND  
FINANCE CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. 221

## TO LET.

FROM 1st MARCH, 1909, A FURNISHED  
HOUSE at No. 1, Gough Hill, the Peak.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [1601]

## TO LET.

2, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing  
the Parade Ground.  
CRAIG RYRIE, No. 4, Peak.  
No. 55, ELGIN TERRACE.  
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Fine Offices  
and Dwelling Rooms.

No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
First & 2nd Floors, (over Coldbank MacGregor).  
OFFICES in Queen's Road Central.  
BELLILIOS TERRACE HOUSES,  
ROBINSON ROAD.  
A GODOWN in Duddell Street.  
No. 3, DUNDRELL STREET Shop.  
Apply to—  
LINSTED & DAVIS,  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. 89

## TO LET.

ONE OFFICE ROOM, Third Floor, New  
Praya 2, Opposite Murray Pier.  
Apply to—  
SCHULDT & CO.  
Hongkong, 28th July, 1908. 1013

## TO LET.

FROM 1st DECEMBER, 1908, "FUNG-  
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situated and within easy distance of the tram,  
is fully furnished, and contains Drawing  
and Dining Rooms, Three Large and One Small  
Bedrooms, Dressing and Bath Rooms, Parlor,  
Kitchen and Laundry, Servants' Quarters,  
Pantry, House, Large Vegetable Garden  
(planted with English seeds) Flower Garden  
and Lawn.

For further particulars apply to—  
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,  
Solicitors,  
8, Des Vœux Road Central.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1908. 1536

## TO LET.

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.  
Apply—  
SECRETARY,  
A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.  
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. 91

## TO LET.

COAL YARD, Immediate Possession.  
A PORTION of the COMPOUND of  
Marine Lot, No. 42, Wanchai, PEYLA EAST.  
Apply to—  
N. MODY & CO.,  
Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. 1342

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 97, PEYLA EAST.  
Apply to—  
CHATER & MODY,  
Victoria Buildings.  
Hongkong, 19th October, 1908. 1452

## TO LET.

A HOUSE in KNITSFORD TERRACE  
KOWLOON.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 1st November, 1908. 85

## TO LET.

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and  
2nd Floors of No. 14, Des Vœux Road  
Central, (formerly occupied by Messrs.  
SHEWAN TOMES & Co.)  
Apply to—  
THE COMPANION DEPARTMENT,  
E. D. BASSON & CO.  
Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 10th June, 1908. 947

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NATIONAL GENERAL INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LTD. OF LONDON.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed  
AGENTS for the above Company, are  
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE  
at Current Rates.  
REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co.,  
Hongkong, 14th November, 1908. 1566

THE GLOBUS INSURANCE COMPANY  
OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed  
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prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE  
at Current Rates.  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Hongkong, 13th August 1906. 28

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN-  
TILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1907  
£18,114,624.

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Subscribed Capital.....2,750,000  
Paid-up Capital.....687,500  
II. Fire Funds.....3,065,374 15 0

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above  
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS  
against FIRE at Current Rates.  
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1908. 1019

NETHERLANDS LLOYD OF  
AMSTERDAM & BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed  
AGENTS for the above Company, are  
prepared to ACCEPT FIRE and MARINE  
RISKS at Current Rates.  
CRUZ, BASTO & Co.,  
Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. 1548

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SURANCE CO.  
OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.

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AGENTS for the above Company, are  
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE  
at Current Rates.  
WM. MEYERINK & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1908. 114

## FRENCH LESSONS.

FRENCH TAUGHT entirely by Con-  
versation and without translation by a  
Frenchman (a Teacher in Government Schools)  
and ENGLISH LESSONS by an English  
Lady.  
Apply by letter to— B. R.,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 13th November, 1906. [1371]

## DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN  
SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.  
33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1907. 1261



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 remedies for all kinds of urinary troubles, such as  
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## A Society Lady's Experience at Court

"I THOUGHT I WOULD HAVE  
 PAINTED!  
 HER STATE OF ACTIVE ANEMIA  
 CURED BY  
 DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

Every gentleman in society  
 regards the occasion of her attend-  
 ing at Court as one of the most  
 pleasurable yet nerve-racking oc-  
 casions in her career. An interesting  
 description of the ordeal was kindly  
 given by Miss Theresa Sheridan a  
 few days ago, when referred to her  
 attendance at Court. Miss Sheridan  
 is well-known as the daughter of  
 the late Henry Brinsley Sheridan,  
 M.P. for Dudley for many years,  
 whose name is revered by all  
 smokers, he being instrumental in  
 securing the privilege they now  
 enjoy of smoking compartments on  
 all railway trains.

When she kindly granted an  
 interview to a London journalist  
 at her residence, Welbeck Court,  
 Kensington, Miss Sheridan pre-  
 sented a perfect type of the healthy  
 handsome English lady of society,  
 but it was quickly made apparent  
 by remarks that for some time  
 until lately her health had caused  
 her and the members of her family  
 serious misgivings. Miss Sheri-  
 dan's opening words were signifi-  
 cant.

"How I succeeded in not faint-  
 ing when I went to Court I hardly  
 know now. A somewhat severe  
 attack of influenza," she mentioned,  
 "had left me very weak and nervous. I began  
 to have the most depressing feelings  
 of lassitude, so that I, who had pre-  
 viously been of most active habits, felt  
 unable to fulfil even ordinary engagements.  
 Persistent headaches completely prostrated me.  
 Of course, I consulted medical specialists and  
 then learnt to my dismay that I was suffering  
 from Anemia."

"I fear I cannot describe to you the various  
 stages of Anemia through which I passed.  
 My social obligations had to be neglected,  
 for I felt so depressed and melancholy that I  
 could take no interest in matters of even  
 passing moment. My strength entirely  
 failed, and the slightest exertion caused me  
 to collapse through exhaustion. My nerves  
 were so affected that at the time when I  
 went to Court I was terribly depressed and  
 physically ill."

"As the best medical treatment seemed  
 unable to help me, I went to the Riviera for  
 some time. One would naturally expect  
 even the most afflicted anemic to recover in  
 such genial surroundings, but such was  
 not the case. Still I could trace no improve-  
 ment. The headaches continued and the  
 weariness and exhaustion never left me,  
 while I lost all my usual colour and com-  
 plexion. I returned to London ill and un-  
 happy."

"Some time after this, while glancing  
 through a periodical I read about Dr.

**DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.**

**JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.**

**PENDING NEW ISSUES.**

It is officially announced that the prospectus  
 of an important new Borneo rubber company  
 will shortly be issued. A feature of the issue  
 will be the guaranteeing of capital and dividends  
 by the British North Borneo Company (incor-  
 porated by Royal Charter).

**NEW RUBBER COMPANY.**

The Ladbury Rubber Estates (Limited), with  
 a capital of £125,000, announces an issue of  
 40,000 shares of £1 each, at par. Promises have  
 been received to apply for and take up 20,000  
 shares, and applications under these promises  
 will receive allotment in full. The company  
 has been formed for the purpose of amalgam-  
 ating rubber estates in Selangor, Malaya  
 Peninsula, covering a total of about 28,000  
 acres. It is estimated that by December 31,  
 1908, when the company takes over the estates  
 there will be about 1,420 acres under rubber.  
 The whole of the purchase price is payable in  
 shares.

**MANILA RAILWAY COMPANY (1906).**

The report for the year ended December 31,  
 1907, states that the inauguration of a new  
 system of accounts rendered necessary by the  
 reconstruction of the company, has made their  
 presentation impossible at an earlier date, but  
 it is hoped that in the future the annual meeting  
 may be held earlier in the year. The revenue  
 account is credited with £116,615, which has  
 been received from the American company, and  
 after deduction of London expenses (loss transfer  
 fees), £4,336, a balance of £112,278 remains.  
 The payment of the interest on the A and B  
 Debentures, less the proportion transferred to  
 expenses of construction, absorbs £95,200, and  
 there remains a balance of £19,078, which the  
 directors propose to carry forward. The claims  
 of the old company against the Spanish Govern-  
 ment have been fully provided for, but are still  
 being presented by the company's representative  
 at Madrid, and supported by his Majesty's  
 embassy.

**EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRAL-  
 ASIA, AND CHINA TELEGRAPH  
 COMPANY.**

The report for the half-year ended June 30  
 states that the gross receipts amounted to  
 £290,293, against £304,367 for the corresponding  
 half-year of 1907. The working expenses, in-  
 cluding £21,155 for maintenance of cables, absorb  
 £150,869, against £155,930 for the corresponding  
 period of 1907, leaving a balance of £139,424.  
 From this is deducted £5,510 for income-tax pay-  
 able in England, £450 for expenses in con-  
 nection with the International Telegraph Con-  
 ference in Lisbon, and £15,048 for interest on  
 debenture stock, leaving £120,387, as the net  
 profit for the half-year. After adding £20,389  
 brought forward, there is an available balance of  
 £140,777. The quarterly interim dividends of  
 14 per cent. each, amounting to £75,000, have  
 been paid for the half-year, leaving a balance of  
 £65,777, to be carried forward. The cost of the  
 Java-Cocos cable, amounting to £78,944,  
 has been charged against the general reserve  
 fund. The sum of £8,762 has also been debited  
 to the same fund for partial renewals of cables  
 carried out during the past half-year.



Miss Theresa Sheridan in her Court Dress.

(From a Photo.)  
 Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and re-  
 solved to try them, as they appeared to be so  
 generally recommended for Anemia. I  
 obtained some and within a little time  
 I undoubtedly felt somewhat stronger. As I  
 continued these pills the headaches  
 became less severe and I lost that sense of  
 lassitude and weariness. I was able to take an  
 active interest in matters of passing and  
 personal interest.

"Of course, my recovery was not 'instan-  
 taneous,' my health had been so impaired  
 that this could neither be expected nor hoped  
 for. But the progress was sure, and, to my  
 mind not even slow, under the circumstances.  
 By persevering with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills  
 my health was completely restored. My  
 colour and complexion have returned and  
 once more I find an interest in life. It will  
 at all times give me pleasure to recommend Dr.  
 Williams' Pink Pills."

In all classes of society Dr. Williams' Pink  
 Pills find favour because they contain just  
 the element that makes Good, New Blood  
 and Sound Nerves. That is why they cure  
 so frequently Anemia, Indigestion, general  
 Weakness, Heart Palpitations, Fainting Fits,  
 Headaches, Neuralgia, Eczema and Skin  
 Disorders. Sold by all dealers, but remem-  
 ber to look for full name on every package,  
 "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."  
 Also sent direct by Dr. Williams' Medicine  
 Co., 88, Kinkaid Road, Shanghai, at £1.50  
 per bottle or 6 bottles for £8. The pills that  
 cure are

**CHINESE-ENGINEERING AND  
 MINING COMPANY.**

The annual meeting was held at Winchester-  
 house, London last month Mr. W. F. Turner  
 presiding. The chairman stated that the gross  
 profit for the year, including profit on exchange,  
 amounted to £225,285, a falling off in round  
 figures of £19,000, and the total credit of  
 profit and loss account was £227,249. The net  
 profit carried to the balance-sheet £154,848.  
 Adding the amount brought forward less tax,  
 to April 5 last, there was an available total of  
 £159,414, subject to provision for the directors'  
 percentage. An interim dividend of 1s. 6d. per  
 share was paid on May 1, last, and the board  
 proposed the declaration that day of a further  
 dividend of 1s. 6d. per share, tax free, making  
 15 per cent. for the year. The directors' per-  
 centage amounted to £5,494, and £5,929 would  
 remain to be carried forward. The main cause of  
 the diminution in the profit last year as compared  
 with that of the previous year was undoubtedly  
 the fact that China, in common with other parts  
 of the world, was suffering from a period of  
 declining trade. It was very satisfactory in the  
 circumstances to find that the tonnage sold  
 during the year 1907-8 was 959,000 tons,  
 compared with 915,000 tons in the previous year.  
 The cost of production during the first six  
 months of the current year had shown a decided  
 diminution. The balance-sheet of February 29  
 last exhibited a marked change in the financial  
 position compared with what it was the year  
 before, owing to the very heavy capital expendi-  
 ture during that period. At the time of the  
 formation of the company it was recognized  
 that, great as were the potentialities of the  
 company's mines, the equipment was very  
 imperfect. The total expenditure under the  
 head amounted to about £250,000, while the  
 total capital expenditure since the formation of  
 the company has been £385,894. If any  
 justification were required for this expenditure  
 beyond the profits they were earning  
 and the dividends they were distributing, it  
 would be found in the enormous extent of the  
 mineral resources of the mines they were  
 working, apart from any consideration of their  
 other rights in the Kaiping Basin. The  
 liabilities on February 29 last showed an increase,  
 from various causes, of about £15,000 over those  
 of the preceding year. Payments which had  
 since been made had reduced the liabilities to  
 about their normal amount. The debenture  
 issue now stood at £401,460, compared with the  
 original issue of £500,000. The reserve for the  
 redemption of debentures stood at £51,666, the  
 reserve for depreciation as £175,000, and the  
 exchange account at £84,390, making a total, in  
 round figures, of £510,000. The cash at bankers  
 and in hand in Europe and China amounted to  
 £72,000 at the date of the balance-sheet; the  
 sum was now considerably larger and the funds  
 were now considerably larger and the funds  
 required for paying the proposed dividend were  
 lying at the company's bankers. After calling  
 attention to other items in the accounts, he  
 alluded to the reference in the directors' report to  
 the divergence of views which had existed for  
 some time between the Chinese Government  
 and the board on the subject of the company's  
 rights in the Kaiping Basin, and stated that  
 negotiations were proceeding with a view to  
 arriving at an amicable settlement. In these  
 circumstances, it was not expedient or practi-  
 cable to enter into any details on the subject that  
 day, but he could not leave it without saying  
 that the directors, on behalf of the shareholders,  
 had to recognize their indebtedness to his  
 Majesty's Foreign Office for the support which

had been accorded to them in the maintenance  
 of the company's rights. As regarded the  
 prospects for the current year, the profits  
 earned, so far as the board's information went,  
 were at least equal to, and probably somewhat in  
 excess of, those of the corresponding period of  
 the previous year. When the depression of  
 trade passed away, the company would be able to  
 supply any demand that was likely to be made  
 upon them and to produce the coal at a lower  
 cost than at any previous time in their history.  
 He concluded by moving a resolution adopting  
 the report and declaring the dividend mentioned.  
 Mr. George T. Symons seconded the motion,  
 which was carried unanimously.

**JOINT STOCK SHARES.**

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their  
 weekly share report, dated Hongkong 27th Nov.  
 1908.—The Business has slackened off a bit during  
 the week but several stocks continue in demand  
 without bringing any shares on the market.  
 The chief features of the market are the contin-  
 ued firmness in Hongkong and Shanghai  
 Banks and Unions, both of which have been  
 dealt in at considerably enhanced rates, the  
 former favoured by a further fall in sterling  
 exchange, which closed at 184 for T/T.

BANKS.—The demand reported in our last  
 continuing and no shares being forthcoming,  
 the rate for Hongkong and Shanghai gradu-  
 ally rose from 825 to 840 without any intermediate  
 sales. At the latter rate a few shares changed  
 hands, and at time of closing buyers at 845 rule  
 the market without bringing out any more  
 sellers. Nationals remain unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions with no  
 sellers at 785 quickly improved to 790 and 795,  
 at which rates a few changed hands, the market  
 closing firm with buyers at 800. North China  
 have improved to 92 with buyers and no sales to  
 report. Cantons have also improved in the  
 absence of sellers to 190, at which a sale is re-  
 ported at time of closing. Other stocks under  
 this heading remain unchanged and without  
 business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong remain  
 quiet with sellers at 330. Chinas continue in  
 favour and have improved to 102 without sales,  
 closing with buyers.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao  
 have been placed in important lots at 29 and  
 29½, closing with sellers at the latter, and  
 buyers at 29. Shells have improved to 47½ with  
 buyers and no sellers. Sales of Star Ferry are  
 reported at 24 for old and 15 for new shares.  
 Other stocks under this heading call for no  
 remarks.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have found  
 buyers at 112½ and close with an inclination to  
 buy at that rate. Luzons remain neglected.

MIXING.—Rauha after sales at 74, 74½ and  
 74½ close at the last rate.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hong-  
 kong, and Whampoa Docks have found buyers  
 for small lots at 92, but close with a few more  
 more shares on offer at that rate. Kowloon  
 Wharves have ruled weak with sales at 45  
 closing with sellers. Shanghai Docks have  
 weakened in the North and close at 72, or  
 according to some private advices at 71.  
 Hongkong Wharves have also declined in the  
 North where they are now owing quoted at 143.  
 A small local sale was made at 149 in the early  
 part of the week.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hong-  
 kong Lands continue at 93 with sellers and a  
 few small sales at that rate have been effected.  
 Humphreys have improved to 94, and Hotels  
 to 80 buyers, both closing firm.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewes are quoted in the  
 North at 67 buyers, and Soyohes are wanted  
 at 240, while Lao Kung Mows have declined to  
 72½ with sellers and Internationals to 55.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have ad-  
 vanced to 11 with sales. China Petroleum to 960  
 with buyers and Langkats are reported from  
 the North at 900 buyers. Dairy Farms and  
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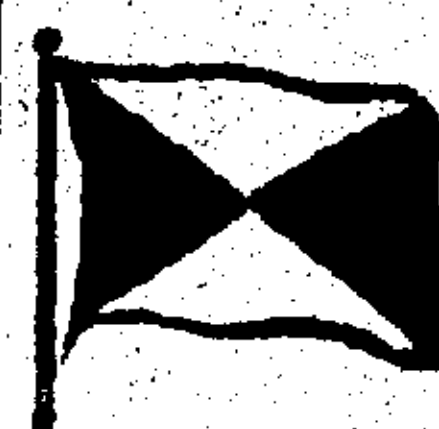
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Mr. E. Child Hayley, editor of Photography and Focus.

Mr. F. J. Mortimer, editor of the Amateur Photographer and Photographic News.

The Daily Mail has appointed Mr. T. Thorne Baker, F.C.S., F.R.P.S., to act as an independent member of the commission, as one willing to be convinced either way according to the actual proofs obtained by it.

Mr. Sinnett points out that as many matters must be covered upon before a demonstration of the photographing of a spirit is made in presence of the commission, some time must necessarily elapse before a full report can be made. Meantime, Mr. Sinnett has obtained the promise of a "medium" to assist at the spirit photographic demonstration when this can be made.

## ROSYTH NAVAL BASE.

## BIG SCHEME OF COAST RECLAMATION AND NEW DOCKS.

It is understood that the works at Rosyth naval base, in connection with which forms of tender have been issued, will include an extensive scheme of coast reclamation and the excavation of a large basin and a smaller dock for submarine purposes.

The land to be reclaimed will extend to two million cubic yards. This space will, in the first place, be enclosed by huge walls of concrete, and the enclosed area then pumped dry, after which the work of excavation for the large basin will be begun. The large basin will measure some 1,500ft. square, and will be provided with a pier 600ft. in length, an emergency entrance, and a larger graving dock. The entrance will be in the form of a lock dock, about 900ft. long.

The material raised in excavating the main basin will be used in the work of reclamation, the additional ground so obtained being utilised for the accommodation of electric power and lighting stations and other necessary works. The submarine basin will measure 600ft. by 450ft.

## CASH-ON-DELIVERY.

## NEW REGULATIONS UNDER THE STRAITS POST OFFICE ORDINANCE.

A cash-on-delivery service has been established in connection with the Post Office.

The regulations, which have been approved by the Governor-in-Council, are to apply to any registered or insured postal packet and to any parcel (whether insured or not) posted in the Straits Settlements and addressed to any country, place or British Postal agency specified in a schedule. Subject to the provisions of the regulations, the Postmaster-General may, at the request of the sender, collect from the addressee of any packet to which the regulations apply any trade-charge in respect of any article contained in such packet, and remit to the sender the amount of such trade-charge after deducting sums due to the Postmaster-General.

But no trade-charge exceeding £20 shall be collected; nor any trade-charge exceeding the declared value (if any) of the packet by more than the amount of the postage and fees payable thereon.

In addition to the postage and any other charges payable on such packet, there will be charged and paid on every cash-on-delivery packet the following sums:—

On every packet posted in the Straits Settlements a despatch fee of 10 cents.

On every packet received for delivery in the Straits, a delivery fee, as follows:—

Where the trade-charge does not exceed £5, 15 cents;

Where the trade-charge exceeds £5, but does not exceed £10, 25 cents;

Where the trade-charge exceeds £10, but does not exceed £15, 35 cents; and

Where the trade-charge exceeds £15, but does not exceed £20, 45 cents.

The despatch fee payable on a C.O.D. packet posted in the Straits shall be prepaid by the sender in stamps. The delivery fee payable on every packet received for delivery in the Straits, together with the commission on the money order or postal order, by means of which the trade-charge is forwarded to the sender, shall be deducted from the amount of the trade-charge collected from the addressee.

Each C.O.D. packet shall be posted by being handed to an officer on duty, and the sender will have to sign a declaration in writing in the prescribed form to the effect that the packet is sent in execution of an order; sign a request in the prescribed form for the collection of the trade-charge; write on the cover of the packet:—(1) the name and address of the addressee; (2) the amount in British currency of the trade-charge in figure and words; (3) the name of the post office on which the money order or postal order in favour of the sender is to be drawn; and affix stamps to the request form in payment of the despatch fee. On the posting, signed by the officer of the Post Office receiving the packet, must be obtained.

The packet shall not be given up to the addressee thereof or opened at his request until the trade-charge and any other charges due thereon have been paid.

If, upon the first tender of the packet at the place of address, the trade-charge and any other charges thereon are not paid, the packet shall within such period as the Postmaster-General may from time to time prescribe be delivered to the addressee at the post office, or (at the request of the addressee) be tendered at the place of address a second time, charged with an additional delivery fee of 20 cents.

If undelivered, the packet will be returned to the sender.

## EXPERIMENTS ON EXECUTED MEN.

## VIVID ALLEGATIONS.

Dr. George F. Shrady, professor of New York City, is to experiment on seven men now awaiting execution at Sing Sing by electric current, whether murderers in New York State, who are executed by electricity, suffer excruciating torture before they are dead.

Dr. Shrady believes that execution by electricity is inhuman. He declares that the electric shocks do not kill, and that death is inflicted by the doctors who perform the post-mortem examinations.

He asserts that in almost all cases it is possible to revive persons who have been subjected to the Sing Sing electric current, and he declares that in the few actual cases where revivification has taken place, the persons give awful descriptions of the agony caused by the electricity.

Dr. Shrady says that one case has come to his knowledge in which a criminal, W. G. Taylor, revived after the electric shock, and was then chloroformed to death, the doctors holding him down while the anesthetic was administered.

In the case of William Kemmler, after the first charge had failed to kill, the man was horribly burned by the second charge, and even then showed signs of life while the doctors were making a post-mortem examination of his brain.

No time has been fixed for the death of the seven Sing Sing murderers, but when the dates are announced, Dr. Shrady will attend the executions, and after the men have been pronounced dead by the prison authorities, he will attempt to bring them back to life.

If he succeeds in restoring animation, the abolition of "electrocution" in New York, for which many doctors have long agitated, will probably follow.

## THE BRITISH ACCESSION DECLARATION.

## MINISTERS WILL NOT INTRODUCE LEGISLATION.

Mr. MacNicol has asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that by an Act, 30 and 31 Vic., c. 62, passed in 1867, holders of the offices of the Lord Chancellorship of Great Britain, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and the

Chancellorships of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, which are confined to members of the Protestant faith, have been relieved from the necessity of making the declaration required of the Sovereign as his first public act on accession to the Throne, in repudiation of the Roman Catholic doctrine, notably the doctrine of transubstantiation, as idolatrous and blasphemous, and that no Roman Catholic has, since the abolition by statute of this declaration, been enabled to fill any of those offices; whether he is aware that the Sovereign alone is required to make this declaration, by which he is placed in an isolated position, and that in the event of a Regency the declaration is not required from the Regent of the kingdom, and that other statutory provisions secure that the occupant of the Throne should be a professor of the Protestant faith; and whether, having regard to the fact that the making of a declaration of this kind is considered in terms offensive to feelings of the King's Roman Catholic subjects and unnecessary for the exclusion of Catholics from the Throne, the Government is prepared to take

steps to secure by legislation the abolition of this declaration, which is imposed exclusively on the Sovereign.

Mr. Asquith's printed reply is as follows:—"The question whether steps cannot be taken to alter the language of the declaration, while leaving the sense untouched, has been the subject of much consideration and presents many difficulties. The Government are not at present advised prepared to introduce legislation, but they will give careful attention to any suggestions which seem likely to lead to a solution."

## A PLUCKY WOMAN.

## HER STRANGE EXPERIENCES.

Mrs. Nellie Campbell, who owns and works a 320-acre ranch in three miles of the village of Elizabeth, in the State of Colorado, on the Colorado and Southern Railroad, on which she has a comfortable seven-roomed house, with barns and sheds, all the work of her own hands, is a remarkably plucky woman. Twelve years ago she came to the States with a capital of \$5. To-day she has a clear title to her hundreds of acres, with stock and machinery in addition.

As soon as this energetic, ambitious woman homesteaded 160 acres of rich Colorado land she moved on to it with her son, who was only a boy in his teens. They had just 85 between them. They obtained enough dry goods boxes to fix up a home, which they occupied for a while year. Then they managed to procure lumber enough to build a small room, which they moved into. But her first year's work went for nothing, for the only thing planted was entirely destroyed by hail. So Mrs. Campbell and her son both went out to work by the month, thus earning enough to carry them along.

For three years they kept at this kind of employment, becoming at the end of that time so prosperous that it was thought best for her son to buy a relinquishment, with a small house on it, adjoining his mother's land. The young man was delighted with his prospects. To fulfil the requirements of the law he lived in his own house and worked on both places. There came a morning, however, when the son, who was always prompt, was late to breakfast. His mother waited, and finally, uneasy, went over to see what was keeping him so late. She found him in bed, shot through the heart while he slept.

After that her neighbours all said she must not live there alone. Something might happen to her, as it had to her son. But what was she to do? She had striven too hard to go away and leave it all, so she told on all by herself, plowing and reaping and doing whatever there was to be done about the place. It was just seven years since she and her only boy had come there when, one night while she was at milking, her house took fire and burned to the ground. Was she cast down? Naturally. But she was not discouraged, which is as different as can be. There is no telling what some men might have done under these circumstances.

What Mrs. Campbell actually did do was to sell some of her cows and get herself into shape to build her new seven-room house and the rest of the buildings on her place. The barns and sheds are all the work of her own hands. She also did practically all the work on the house, too, having only some little assistance in carrying out the more minute details. Notwithstanding all she has gone through, Mr. Campbell feels herself fresh and young.

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